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FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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X was filed on July 12, 1999 as United States Patent Application Serial Number
or PCT International Application Number 09/351,518.

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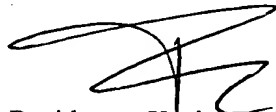
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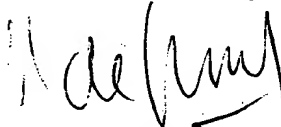
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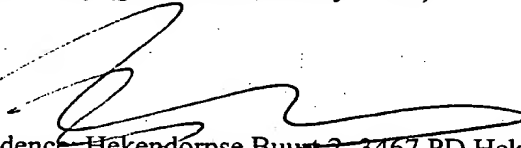
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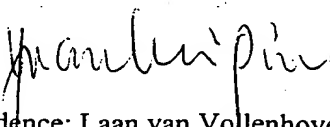
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